

Juvenile Justice Improvement Committee
Judicial Conference of Indiana

Minutes
June 20, 2002

The Juvenile Justice Improvement Committee of the Judicial Conference of Indiana met at the Indiana Judicial Center on Thursday, June 20, 2002 from 4:30 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.

1. Members present. Mary Beth Bonaventura, Christopher L. Burnham, W. Timothy Crowley, Steve David, Mary R. Harper, James R. Heuer, Lynn Murray, James W. Payne, Daniel L. Pflum, Viola J. Taliaferro, R. Paulette Staggs and Stephen M. Sims, Chair
2. Minutes approved. The minutes for the meeting on May 3, 2002 were approved.
3. Guests present. Mr. John J. Boyce, Director, Office of Family and Children, FSSA; Judge Stephen R. Heimann.
4. Staff present. Jeffrey Bercovitz and Anne Jordan provided the committee with staff assistance.
5. FSSA.
 - a. Judge Payne distributed copies of the draft Interagency Protocol Agreement reviewed at the May meeting, a draft Interagency Agreement prepared for this meeting, the current Interim Agreement. He explained the current draft Interagency Agreement is two pages, and has an attachment for tasks to be performed by the County Office of Family and Children, tasks to be performed by the county Juvenile Probation Department, an attachment for any modifications of those tasks, and an attachment for the determination of financial eligibility information.
 - b. Committee members agreed to contact Judge Payne with any concerns about the draft Interagency Agreement. Judge Payne agreed to draft a cover memorandum to forward this agreement for execution by all courts with juvenile jurisdiction.
 - c. Judge Sims asked Mr. Bercovitz to work with John Wood to develop a definition of "secure detention."
 - d. Judge Payne reported Indiana failed its audit for compliance with ASFA. He explained the review process to committee members.
 - e. Mr. Boyce stated he wants FSSA to work together with juvenile courts on some collaborative projects.
6. Next meeting dates. The committee members agreed to meet on Wednesday, September 11, 2002, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in conjunction with the judicial conference in Ft. Wayne; and Friday, November 1, 2002 from 12:00 noon – 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey Bercovitz, Director
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